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1. The 125 District Army unit, (regiment) APO 159, was activated on 5 June 1951 in Sosan (125-42, 38-02) (YC-5713). Recruits were drawn from replacement units with cadre troops provided by the 36 Division of the North Korean army. The unit was organized as follows:

3. The regimental staff consisted of the following:

Regimental Commander	Lt. Colonel CH'A Chu-man ( 朴 始 马 )
Chief of Staff	Lt. Colonel HONG Chang-hwan ( 洪 昌 善 )
Chief, Political Bureau	Lt. Colonel HO Song-jae ( 何 宗 奕 )
Military Department	Lt. Colonel CH'A Chu-man ( 朴 始 马 )
Ministry Social Security	Not identified.

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439 officers and men.

#### e. Equipment and Locations

Kongga-ri (124-53, 38-09) (JC-6524), 76mm Artillery Battalion,  
300 men.  
Ramen-ri (125-24, 38-04) (JC-1116), 120mm Artillery Battalion,  
160 men; 100mm Artillery Battalion, 160 men.  
Troops were equipped with Soviet-type rifles, side-arms, and  
grenades.

3. Summary

The regiment was given logistical support directly from VI Corps Headquarters at Nadong (125-52, 38-28) (YC-5061), 16 kilometers east of the Sariwon railroad station (125-44, 38-30) (YC-5064). Ammunition, gasoline, clothing, and foodstuffs were transported by truck to the regimental camp and distributed to each battalion and company. Many of the enlisted personnel were suffering from lack of adequate diet.

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4. Medical facilities

Some nurses and medical corpsmen were attached to the regiment, but at the time of this report there were virtually no medical supplies.

5. Telephone lines connected the regiment with battalion and company headquarters.

6. Security measures at the regimental command posts

One guard on duty at the main gate of the command post compound. The guard changed every two hours.

7. Staff officers of the 23 Brigade were as follows:

Commander of the Brigade	:	Senior Colonel O Park-yong (吳伯永)
Colonel of Staff	:	Colonel KIM Tae-hwan (金泰煥)
Assistant Brigade Commander (Artillery)	:	Colonel SO Chon-ik (蘇成日)

8. Other North Korean units in the areas

The 36 Division was located in the area of Chidong (125-40, 33-06) (OC-3436). There were 700 troops observed in four billets. The 36 Division was charged with the defense of Haju (125-41, 37-47) (IB-3685).

25X1A 1 [ ] Company. The North Korean 36 Division was reported to have been deactivated about 30 May and the troops integrated into the 24 Brigade, which was then upgraded and re-designated the 23 Division, according to information dated 5 July 1951 from other intelligence sources.

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